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Information Request D.T.E. 1-5

- Q. Please refer to section eight on page three of the Petition. Provide the Fall 2004 updated Supply Plan including all workpapers.
- A. The Company's forecast presented in Exhibit TEP-2 is based on its most recent requirements projections. This forecast is prepared annually using the same methodology as presented in the Company's Long-Range Resources and Requirements filings. The latest approved version of this is D.T.E. 01-105.

To arrive at the forecast presented in Exhibit TEP-2, the Company combined the 2003/2004 reference-year sendout, which is derived from its regression analysis, with its latest annual incremental sendout forecast to yield its forecast of customer requirements under normal weather conditions. The Company then applies its approved design standards to arrive at the forecast shown in Schedule TEP-2.